Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1.   (Currently Amended) A method of browsing a website which has a first web page with second and third links to second and third web pages respectively, the method including the steps of:

downloading, from a server to a client, information with respect to a relative priority for downloading the second and third web pages with respect to each other;

subsequent to downloading address information of the second and third links on the first web page, but prior to actuation of either the second or third links, commencing the process of downloading elements of content of the second and third web pages from the server to the client;

wherein the process of downloading the elements of content of the second and third web pages is performed on the basis of a~~predetermined~~ the relative priority of the second and third web pages.

2.   (Currently Amended) A method according to claim 1 wherein the ~~predetermined~~ relative priority provides ~~predetermined~~ relative download speeds for the second and third pages.

3.   (Currently Amended) A method according to claim 2 wherein the download of the second and third web pages takes place simultaneously, the relative download speeds corresponding to their relative priority.

4.   (Currently Amended) A method according to claim 1 wherein the ~~predetermined~~ relative priority provides a ~~predetermined~~ fixed order for downloading the second and third web pages.

5.   (Currently Amended) A method according to claim 4 wherein the download of one of the second and third web pages only commences when download of the other of the second and third web pages is complete.

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6.   (Canceled).

7.   (Original)   A method according to claim 1 further comprising the step of storing the second and third web pages in cache memory within the client.

8.   (Original)   A method according to claim 1 wherein the speed of downloading is controlled by at least the client.

9.   (Currently Amended) A method according to claim 8 wherein the relative speed of downloading of the second and third web pages is controlled on the basis of instructions within the second and third links.

10.   (Currently Amended) A method according to claim 1 wherein the first, second and third web pages are all on the same website.

11.   (Currently Amended) A method according to claim 1 wherein each of the links has a specific URL which identifies uniquely the address within the network of a server on which the second and/or third web pages are hosted.

12.   (Currently Amended) A method of operating a web server comprising the steps of:
        sending, from a server to a client, a web page containing two links to further web pages, and
        including with the web page for each of the two links, an associated relative priority with which the further web pages are to be pre-emptively downloaded by the client prior to actuation of either of the two links.

13.   (Currently Amended) A method according to claim 12 wherein the relative priority provides ~~predetermined~~ relative download speeds for the further web pages.

14.   (Currently Amended) A method according to claim 13 wherein the further web pages are downloaded simultaneously.

15.   (Currently Amended) A method according to claim 12 wherein the relative priority provides a ~~predetermined relative~~ fixed order in which the further web pages are to be downloaded with respect to each other.

16.   (Currently Amended) A web page including first and second links to first and second further pages, each link having associated therewith a relative priority with which the first and second further pages are to be pre-emptively downloaded [[by]] from a server to a client displaying the web page prior to actuation of either of the first and second links, the relative priority being determined by the server.

17.   (Currently Amended) A web page according to claim 16 wherein the relative priority provides ~~predetermined~~ relative download speeds for the first and second further pages.

18.   (Currently Amended) A web page according to claim 16 wherein the relative priority provides a predetermined relative order in which the first and second further pages are to be downloaded with respect to each other.

19.   (New) A method according to claim 1, further comprising, prior to the step of downloading information with respect to a relative priority:
    determining, by the server based on a first number corresponding to selections of the second web page made by a plurality of clients within a previous time period and a second number corresponding to selections of the third web page made by the plurality of clients within the previous time period, the relative priority to be assigned to the second and third web pages.

20.   (New) A method according to claim 12, further comprising, prior to the step of downloading information with respect to a relative priority:
    determining, by the server based on a first number corresponding to selections of the second web page made by a plurality of clients within a previous time period and a second number corresponding to selections of the third web page made by the plurality of clients within the previous time period, the relative priority to be assigned to the further web pages.

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